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February 15, 2006

Mr. Doug Bosco, Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I am writing in support of the City of Arcata's application for \$650,000 of Coastal Conservancy funding for Sunnybrae Forest.

The project would add a large block of contiguous forest land to the Arcata Community Forest on its vulnerable urban interface of Arcata. It would be maintained as a working forest accessible to the public.

The City of Arcata and its residents take great pride in their forest lands. The local community has raised more than \$70,000 and has committed to raising an additional \$50,000 for this important project. This would be welcome addition to the Community Forest, which was the first publicly certified sustainable forest in the nation.

I appreciate your favorable consideration of the Sunnybrea Forest project. If I can provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact my Eureka District Office at (707) 445-7014.

Respectfully,

PATTY BERG
Assemblymember, 1st District

Cc: Mark Andre, City of Arcata

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February 17, 2006

Doug Bosco, Chair
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Floor 11
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Dear Chairman Bosco and Members of the Board:

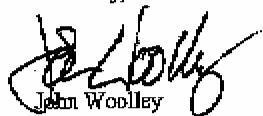
As Humboldt County Third District Supervisor, I represent the greater Arcata area, taking in the community and land associated with the Sunnybrae Forest Acquisition. Please add my name to the support from hundreds of residents and friends of this project, and urge State Coastal Conservancy support as well.

Many of our land use controversies stem from the interface of residential communities and timber harvest zones. Throughout our area leaders recognize the need to protect appropriate timber harvesting capacity, yet see the impact harvesting may cause to our constituents. I believe the community forest concept is an excellent tool to help in these situations, and should be encouraged wherever it is feasible. The community forest model will not work for all areas; but it will here, and we should do our best to ensure its possibility.

It is my understanding that to date, Arcata residents have raised over \$70,000 through a variety of fundraisers to help the City acquire this tract, and the City has been successful in achieving over \$1.7 million in funds. This important project is well underway, leaving the balance with additional grant seeking opportunities and fundraising by the community; efforts both the residents and the City are committed to undertake. The State Coastal Conservancy combined grant and tax credit offerings are critically needed and are a creative approach to securing the property.

Again, I support the project and urge the Conservancy to commit the resources as requested. Thank you for considering my thoughts in this matter.

Sincerely,


Jean Woolley
Third District Supervisor

c: Honorable Michael Machi and Members of the Council, City of Arcata
Mark Andre, City of Arcata
Mark Lovelace, SANA

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February 24, 2006

Douglas Bosco, Chairman
Attn: Moira McEnespy
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor
Oakland CA 94612-2530

Subject: Sunny Brae Forest Project

Dear Chairman Bosco:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Sunny Brae Forest Project (Project) currently being considered by the Coastal Conservancy for funding assistance.

This Project is an important component to the City of Arcata's long-term strategy for management of the innovative community forest model as a timber resource and a beautiful recreational use area. The addition of the property identified for purchase in this application will add considerable value to the City's forest land holdings. Further, it will enable the City to continue its model forest stewardship practices and further build upon the recreational and educational use components for these public lands.

The City of Arcata's community forest serves as a model, nationally and internationally of managed redwood forest while striving for resource protection, revenue generation and opportunities for public enjoyment. I am pleased to be able to extend my support to this worthwhile project.

Thank you. Please contact my Eureka District Office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wesley Chesbro".

WESLEY CHESBRO
Senator, Second District

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February 14, 2006

RE: Sunny Brae Community Forest Acquisition Project

The Regional Water Board encourages acquisition of lands for public conservation. This project will benefit the community and the state. If you have any questions or want comments on the project please contact Bob Klamt (707-576-2693) for timber issues, Diana Henriouille (707-576-2350) for nonpoint source pollution issues, Dean Prat (707-576-2801) for 410 certification issues and Janet Blake (707-576-2805) for Watershed Management Initiative issues.

Thank you for informing us of the project and for the opportunity to participate.

Sincerely,

Janet Blake

California Environmental Protection Agency

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